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ANNOUNCEMENT OF REVISED PRICES BY NPPA
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) has recently announced the revised prices forvarious Salbutamoi formulations:

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the name of the companies which are selling these formulations and they have submitted the revised Form-V to NPPA;

(d) the name of the companies which have so far not submitted Form-V after the reduction in Salbutamoi prices; and

(e) the action being taken by NPPA against the defaulting companies?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) to (e): The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) fixed the ceiling prices in respect of eight formulations packs based on bulk drugs Salbutamoi Sulphate vide S.O. 1348 (E) dated the 16th September, 2005. The manufacturers selling these Salbutamoi based formulations are M/s. Cipla and M/s. Sun Pharma which have not submitted form V so far. Non-ceiling price for formulation Rheolin Rheocaps 200 mg-2x14`s of M/s. Ranbaxy was also fixed vide price order dated the 16th September, 2005. M/s. Ranbxy has submitted supplementary price list in form V.

In addition to the above, non ceiling prices under para 8 of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1995 (DPCO 1995) were fixed on the 30th March, 2005 in respect of some Salbutamoi based formulations involving M/s. Aristo, Pfizer/Elegant

Chemical, Eider Pharma, Cipla, Sun Pharma, Nicolas, Cadila/Excel, Dr. Reddy/Cheminnova.Wonder and Khandelwal Labs. All these companies were asked to submit implementation report along with supplementary price list in form V. Aristo Pharma has replied that they are an SSI unit and therefore, the order is not applicable to them. M/s. Elegant Chemical, Elder Pharma, Sun Pharma and Nicolas have replied that they have discontinued production of these formulations. M/s. Cadila has replied that they have changed the composition of the product. M/s. Cipla has filed a Review Petition under para 22 of DPCO `95 after the issue of Price Order dt. 30.03.2005. As per the proviso to Para 22 of DPCO `95 it is mandatory `for the manufacturer i.e., M/s. Cipla Ltd. to implement the retail price fixed by the Govt. under the said Price Order for which a review has been applied for. M/s. Cheminnova has submitted Form V in respect of Saibutamol Liquid 60 ml bottle. Reply from M/s. Wonder and M/s. Khandelwai Labs, is still awaited.

Action against companies for non impiementation of prices fixed / revised by the NPPA is taken under para 13 of the DPCO 1995.